

Medium Term Plan

Su	bject: English	Unit: Multicultural Poetry	Term:	Year Group	8		
Pr	ior Learning: Pupils h	ave investigated different forms of poetry and have begun	Spring	cabulary: rbyth	m rhyme star	za structure form	
		r Learning: Pupils have investigated different forms of poetry and have begun nderstand and appreciate a range of different poetic techniques including metaphor, simile, personification, figurative language,					
lin	quistic and structural for	eatures. Pupils have learnt how to respond to poetry using				ssonance, haiku,	
		have learnt how to identify layers of meaning within a text		se, imagery, qu			
		s and ideas with evidence from the text.		oo, magoij, qa		10p o lui o lui	
	the end of this unit.		_				
		e to: discuss and analyse a wide variety of texts from other explore the themes of culture and identity. Pupils will be cor					
		nting on the poet's use of structural and linguistic devices. T					
		poem. Pupils will be able to apply what they have learnt to					
so	me children will not	have made so much progress. They will be able to: iden	ntify the di	fferent techniqu	ies used by poe	ets in a range of	
ро	ems. They will be able	to share their ideas on a range of poems and begin to sup	port these	with evidence	from the text. T	hey will be able to	
	-	d difference between poems. They will use technical vocabu	ulary wher	n discussing the	e poems. They	will be able to write	
	eir own poem using so						
		e progressed further. They will be able to: discuss and a		•			
	2	nstrate an understanding of how and why poets use poetry				5 1	
		D structure to explore and analyse a range of poetry, comm					
		pare and contrast poems and explain the effect of each poe		ate this to othe	r texts studied.	Pupils will be able	
10	Learning	earnt to their own poetry, showing an original and creative to Content	Assess	mont	Resources		
	Objectives	Content	A32633	ment	/Health and Safety	Opportunities	
1	To be able to define	Activities:	Pupil dis	scussions and	PowerPoint	Culture map	
	what culture is and	Introduce the theme for this term- identity. We will be	culture r	map.		could be	
	how can it influence	exploring this theme through poetry, prose and our own				completed on	
	you	writing. Can anyone define culture? Share ideas as a				computers.	
	To be able to	class.					
	discuss my own						
	•	Using images on PowerPoint explore the theme of					
	culture and influences	Using images on PowerPoint explore the theme of culture further. What do we mean when we talk about 'identity'?					

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2	To explore the concept of my culture To apply poetic techniques to my own poetry	How does where you're from influence your identity, i.e. who you are as a person? Do you experience a mix of cultures? For example through friends, food, language, events in the community? Draw a table to note down details of your own life. Share your notes with others in the class and discuss similarities and differences. Make a poster/collage/patchwork showing your culture and identity – use the table to help. You could have a picture of yourself in the centre and surround it with words and images that represent all the cultural influences that affect your life and who you are. Activities: In this lesson pupils use their previous discussions and ideas to create their own poem on the theme of culture and identity. They may choose any form to express their ideas. Share pupils' poems. Discuss how pupils feel that their poem represents their culture and identity.	Pupils' r	Doems	PowerPoint	Pupils could create poem using ICT	
3	To investigate the Haiku form	 Explain that once we have studied a number of poems on the topic of culture and identity pupils will return to their poem to redraft. Activities: Using PowerPoint explore the structure of Haiku poetry. 	Haiku fo		PowerPoint	Pupils could create poem	
	To apply this knowledge when writing on our Haiku	Why might this form of poetry be so powerful?Recap on syllables, their definition and how they are used in Haikus.Pupils then create their own Haikus ensure that they use the correct structure.	Pupils' I	Haiku poems		using ICT	



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4	To explore Australian Culture To examine how it can be represented through poetry	 Activities: Ask pupils what they know or can infer about Australian culture. Show pupils images on PowerPoint and discuss if they support or contradict ideas they had. Share biographical information on AB Paterson (or you could use ICT to research information) Listen to Snowy River. Share the text version of the poem and discuss its use of ballad form. Begin to discuss why the poet chose this form for their poem. Pupils then storyboard the events of the poem. 		scussions. ard of Snowy	Power AB Pa biogra Snowy poem Storyb templa	terson phy River oard	Independent research could be done on AB Paterson.
5	To identify features of Reggae culture. To examine the impact of Reggae on poetry.	Activities: Discuss with pupils the concept of dialect. What is it? Do they think they have a dialect? What words are part of their dialect? Pupils complete the dialect dictionary grid and discuss how dialect links to culture and identity. Read Half-Caste with pupils. What do they notice about the dialect? Explain it is a Caribbean dialect. Why do they think the poet chose to write the poem in this way? Using what they have learnt from the poem, pupils label the image of John Agard describing what they know about his culture and identity. Discuss with pupils what they think the poem is about. Using their discussion pupils should write a 40 word paragraph, using a sentence starter if needed. Pupils draw an image to represent the themes/message of the poem.	and par	g of image agraph on the g of the poem.	Power Dialect Diction sheet John A worksh Half-Ca poem	t hary Agard heet	Pupils could find digital images which they feel represent the poem and label.
6	To explore the work						
	of Benjamin	Start by asking pupils about the kind of person who					



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Zephaniah? To evaluate how his culture influences his poetry?	 writes poetry- what is the stereotypical image? You could show some images of a stereotypical view to see if this matches the pupils' ideas. Show an image of Benjamin Zephaniah and share some of his biographical details. Does he match their image of a poet? Read the poem <i>Dis Poetry</i>. Discuss the use of informal language and dialect. Share formal letter from a teacher with pupils. Challenge them to rewrite it in a more informal way. How does this change the message/tone of the letter? Pupils choose five lines from <i>Dis Poetry</i> and rewrite them using more formal language. 				
7	Activities:				